

Appl. No. 09/309,990
Amdt. Dated October 7, 2003
Reply to Office action of April 7, 2003

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Examiner rejected pending claims 15 to 26 under the judicially doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-16 of US Patent No. 5,984,641. The applicant respectfully disagrees with the Examiner. However, the applicant submits herewith a terminal disclaimer in order to overcome this rejection. Accordingly, it is believed that the claims are in condition for allowance.

Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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